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DECISIONS IN ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS

MUTUAL FUNDS ADVISORY, INC., DENIED EXEMPTION UNDER INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT. The SEC has issued an order denying an application of Mutual Funds Advisory, Inc., of Coral Gables, Fla., a registered broker-dealer engaged in the public sale of mutual fund shares, for an exemption from certain provisions of the Investment Company Act so as to permit it to acquire load fund shares for the portfolio of its newly formed affiliate, The Fundpack, Inc., a registered mutual fund holding company, at the applicant's cost rather than at the public offering price which would include a dealer concession to the applicant. The provisions of the Act from which an exemption was sought prohibit sales of securities to a registered investment company by an affiliate acting as principal, and prohibit dealers from selling mutual fund shares to such company except at the current offering price. The requested exemption was opposed by the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., the Investment Company Institute, and another fund holding company. In its decision, the Commission ruled that the applicant did not have standing to seek an exemption from the prohibitions because the applicant would act as a broker for Fundpack, rather than a dealer-principal, in effecting purchases of load fund shares for its portfolio.

Commissioner Loomis dissented. (Rel. IC-6932)

DECADE DISTRIBUTING CORP., REVOKED, ASSOCIATES DISCIPLINED. The SEC has issued an order revoking the broker-dealer registration of Decade Distributing Corporation, Downey, Calif., suspending Decade Management Corporation, a 75% stockholder of the registrant, from conducting business for five days commencing January 17, 1972, and censuring Merrill Otit Mooney, president of the registrant.

The order was based on findings that the registrant, aided and abetted by the other two respondents, failed to pay to the Commission an initial fee and an annual fee required to be paid by broker-dealers who are not members of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., and failed to file the required first report of its financial condition after its broker-dealer registration in April 1969.

The respondents consented to the findings and sanctions in an offer of settlement without admitting the charges. (Rel. 34-9441)

MULTI-LATERAL FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC., EDWIN PAUL JAFFARIAN, SUSPENDED. The SEC today suspended the broker-dealer registration of Multi-Lateral Financial Services, Inc. of San Diego, Calif., for three months and suspended Edwin Paul Jaffarian, former president and holder of more than 75% of the firm's outstanding stock, from being associated with a broker or dealer for the same period.

The suspensions were based on findings that the respondents violated the securities laws in offering and selling shares of United American Industries, Inc. which were not registered and shares of Resources Growth Fund, Inc., of which Multi-Lateral is the investment adviser, by use of false and misleading statements, through a prospectus and otherwise, concerning among other things the adviser and underwriter for Resources, and by virtue of Multi-Lateral's failure to perform its duties as investment adviser of Resources and permitting another person not under respondents' control to perform all advisory services for Resources.

The order provides that during the suspension period the firm may not serve as an investment adviser or principal underwriter, except that it may serve as adviser of Resources without compensation, and that Jaffarian may not act in any capacity specified in Section 9(b) of the Investment Company Act except with respect to Resources without compensation and as officer and director of Multi-Lateral on the same basis.

The Findings and Order was issued pursuant to an offer of settlement in which respondents did not admit the allegations of violations. (Rel. 34-9451)

NEW RULES AND RULE PROPOSALS

SEC AMENDS RULE TO REQUIRE LARGER TYPE. The SEC today announced the adoption of an amendment to Rule 8b-12 under the Investment Company Act of 1940 to require registration statements and reports filed under that Act to be set forth in 10-point type. The amendment will be effective with respect to any materials filed with the SEC on or after February 21, 1972. (Rel. IC-6935)

COURT ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS

COMPLAINT NAMES KENNETH W. SAUNDERS. The SEC Boston Regional Office announced January 11 the filing of a complaint in the Federal court in Boston seeking to enjoin Kenneth W. Saunders of Quincy, Mass., from violations of the registration and antifraud provisions of the Federal securities laws in connection with the offer and sale of unregistered securities of PSH Corp. (LR-5282)

PAULPIC GOLD MINES ENJOINED. The SEC Chicago Regional Office today announced that the Federal court in Cincinnati, Ohio had permanently enjoined Paulpic Gold Mines, Ltd., from violations of the registration provisions of the Federal securities laws in the offer and sale of its securities or any other securities. The defendant consented to the court order without admitting the allegations. Counts II and III of the Commission's complaint charging violations of the antifraud provisions were dismissed. (LR-5283)

OVER

INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT RELEASES

PAKCO COMPANIES. The SEC has issued an order declaring that Pakco Companies, Inc., Hammonton, N.J., has ceased to be an investment company as defined in the Act. (Rel. IC-6930)

PENN VIRGINIA CORPORATION. The SEC has issued a notice giving interested persons until February 2 to request a hearing upon an application of Penn Virginia Corporation, Philadelphia, for an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company as defined in the Act. Penn Virginia contends that it is, and at all times has been, primarily engaged, directly or through subsidiaries or controlled companies in coal and related businesses and that it has never been primarily engaged in investing, reinvesting, owning, holding or trading in securities. (Rel. IC-6933)

OPTIONAL RETIREMENT FUND. The SEC has issued an order declaring that Optional Retirement Fund, Inc., New York, has ceased to be an investment company as defined in the Act. (Rel. IC-6934)

SEYLON, Inc. The SEC has issued a notice giving interested persons until February 2 to request a hearing upon an application of Seylon, Inc., Toledo, Ohio, for an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company as defined in the Act. Seylon states that its primary business consists of the manufacturing of agriculture equipment through a wholly-owned subsidiary, Thomson International Company, and banking through a controlled corporation, First Bancorporation. (Rel. IC-6938)

VALUE LINE. The SEC has issued a notice giving interested persons until February 4 to request a hearing upon an application of Value Line Investment Programs for the Accumulation of Shares of The Value Line Special Situations Fund, Inc. (Programs), New York unit investment trust, for an order declaring that Programs has ceased to be an investment company as defined in the Act. Programs represents that it has no assets, that it has not issued or made any public offering or sale of its securities and that a proposed public offering has been abandoned. (Rel. IC-6939)

MACI GROWTH FUND. The SEC has issued an order declaring that MACI Growth Fund, Inc., of Minneapolis, Minn., has ceased to be an investment company as defined in the Act. (Rel. IC-6940)

SECURITY BENEFIT LIFE. The SEC has issued an order exempting Security Benefit Life Insurance Company, a mutual life insurance company, and SBL Variable Annuity Account, a unit investment trust, both of Topeka, Kans., from certain provisions of the Act so as to permit the owners of Series E Variable Contracts the right to exchange their units for units of Series I Variable Contracts. (Rel. IC-6941)

MASS. MUTUAL LIFE. The SEC has issued a notice giving interested persons until February 4 to request a hearing upon an application of Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company, of Springfield, Mass. and MassMutual Corporate Investors, Inc., closed-end investment company, for an order permitting an arrangement whereby the Insurance Company and the Fund would each acquire \$6 million of 7% 20-year subordinated notes of American Broadcasting Companies, Inc. and related warrants for the purchase of common stock of ABC. (Rel. IC-6942)

HOLDING COMPANY ACT RELEASES

COLUMBIA GAS SYSTEM. The SEC has issued a notice giving interested persons until February 2 to request a hearing upon an application of The Columbia Gas System, Inc. (Columbia), Wilmington, Del. holding company, with respect to certain transactions. Columbia Gas Development of Canada, Ltd., proposes to sell from time to time through March 31 up to 600,000 shares of common stock (\$25 par) to Columbia for up to \$15 million. Development is being formed under Canadian law to acquire additional gas supply for and to coordinate the program of development for the Columbia system in Canada. (Rel. 35-17427)

AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER. The SEC has issued a notice giving interested persons until January 31 to request a hearing upon an application of Indiana & Michigan Electric Company (I&M), a subsidiary of American Electric Power Company, and Indiana & Michigan Power Company, a new company organized for the purpose of owning and operating the Donald C. Cook Nuclear Generating Plant, which I&M is constructing at Bridgeman, Mich., and selling power generated by that plant to I&M. I&M Power expects to have substantial tax losses during the period prior to commercial operation of Unit No. 1 of the Plant and may have tax losses during the period prior to construction of Unit No. 2. In addition, I&M Power will, for federal income tax purposes, be entitled to large amounts of investment tax credit with respect to the plant property. In connection with the consolidated AEP income tax returns, it is proposed that the entire amounts of any tax losses of I&M Power should be first allocated to I&M and that any investment credit with respect to the plant property not utilized by I&M Power on a separate return basis should be first allocated to I&M. It is also proposed that any unused tax loss be allocated among other AEP System companies and any unused investment credit be allocated among other AEP System companies. (Rel. 35-17428)

ARKANSAS POWER & LIGHT. The SEC has issued a notice giving interested persons until January 31 to request a hearing upon an application of Arkansas Power & Light Company, New York subsidiary of Middle South Utilities, to issue and sell 1,600,000 shares of common stock for an aggregate of \$20 million. Net proceeds of its stock sale will be used for the company's current construction program, estimated at \$126,300,000 for 1972, the repayment of short-term promissory notes then outstanding, and for other corporate purposes. (Rel. 35-17429)

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INVESTMENT ADVISERS ACT RELEASE

LIFE INS. ASSN. OF AMERICA. The SEC has issued an order under the Investment Advisers Act with respect to Life Insurance Association of America, New York, and American Life Convention, Chicago, modifying its prior order so as to extend the time in which insurance companies which act as investment advisers to investment companies and have not registered as investment advisers may refrain from filing for registration as an investment adviser from January 14, 1972 to February 14, 1972. (Rel. IA-305)

SECURITIES ACT REGISTRATIONS

COMMERCIAL CREDIT COMPANY, 300 St. Paul Place, Baltimore, Md. 21202, filed a registration statement on January 11 seeking registration of \$75 million of notes, due 1992, and \$25 million of notes, due 1979, to be offered for public sale through underwriters headed by Kidder, Peabody & Co., 20 Exchange Pl., and White, Weld & Co., 20 Broad St., both of New York. The company is principally engaged through subsidiaries in the business of commercial financing, as well as in the insurance business. Net proceeds of its financing will be applied to the reduction of short-term borrowings. (File 2-42826)

METROPOLITAN EDISON COMPANY, 2800 Pottsville Pike, Muhlenberg Township, Berks County, Pa. 19605, filed a registration statement on January 11 seeking registration of 350,000 shares of cumulative preferred stock, Series G (\$100 par) to be offered for public sale at competitive bidding. A subsidiary of General Public Utilities Corporation, the company will use the net proceeds of its stock sale to pay a portion of its short-term bank loans (expected to aggregate \$48,750,000 by the time of the stock sale) and for other corporate purposes. Construction expenditures are estimated at \$138,500,000 for 1972. (File 2-42827)

ANCHOR RESERVE FUND, INC., Westminister at Parker, Elizabeth, N. J., filed a registration statement on January 10 seeking registration of 2,000,000 shares of capital stock, to be offered for public sale at net asset value plus an 8-3/4% sales charge on purchases of less than \$25,000. The Fund is a diversified open-end management investment company, whose investment objective is to preserve capital values and concurrently to generate the highest possible current income consistent with capital appreciation. Anchor Reserve Fund, Inc., is investment adviser. (File 2-42829)

INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER CREDIT CORPORATION, 401 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60611, filed a registration statement on January 12 seeking registration of \$60 million of debentures, due 1993, to be offered for public sale through underwriters headed by Morgan Stanley & Co. Inc., 140 Broadway, New York 10005. The company is engaged in the financing of sales of products manufactured or sold by International Harvester and related activities. Net proceeds of its financing will be added to the company's general funds and used for general corporate purposes. (File 2-42830)

SLAUGHTER BROTHERS, INC., 8124 Westchester Dr., Dallas, Tex. 75225, filed a registration statement on January 12 seeking registration of 220,000 shares of common stock, of which 140,000 are to be offered for public sale by the company and 80,000 (being outstanding shares) by the holders thereof. The offering is to be made (at \$10.50 per share maximum) through underwriters headed by First Southwest Co., Mercantile Bank Bldg., Dallas, Tex. 75201. The company is engaged primarily in the wholesale distribution of lumber and lumber products. Of the net proceeds of its stock sale, \$700,000 will be used to retire short-term debt and the balance for working capital and other corporate purposes. (File 2-42831)

CHARTER NEW YORK CORPORATION, One Wall St., New York 10005, filed a registration statement on January 12 seeking registration of \$60 million of notes, due 1979, to be offered for public sale through underwriters headed by Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Inc., 70 Pine St., and Salomon Brothers, One New York Plaza, both of New York. The company is a bank holding company, which owns more than 99% of the outstanding common stock (other than directors' qualifying shares) of eight banks located in New York State. Net proceeds of its stock sale will be used primarily to provide additional capital funds to Irving Trust Company through the purchase of capital stock and partly to provide additional capital funds to other constituent banks and for general corporate purposes. (File 2-42832)

INNISBROOK ASSOCIATES, P. O. Drawer 1088, Tarpon Springs, Fla. 33589, filed a registration statement on January 12 seeking registration of \$43,034,800 of residential condominium units (790 condominium apartments), to be offered for public sale at prices from \$33,800 to \$72,600 per unit. Innisbrook is a joint venture of Mid-Continent Service Corporation and Golf Hosts International, Inc. The condominium project is to be situated in Pinellas County, Fla., on the western gulf coast. (File 2-42833)

INEXCO OIL COMPANY (the general partner), 1200 Houston Club Bldg., Houston, Tex. 77002, filed a registration statement on January 12 seeking registration of \$7,000,000 of limited partnership interests in Inexco 1972 Deep Gas Exploration Program, Ltd. (the partnership), to be offered for public sale at \$1,000 per unit (with a minimum required subscription of \$5,000). The offering is to be made on a best efforts basis by Bache & Co., 100 Gold St., New York. The Partnership will conduct a natural gas exploration program. (File 2-42835)

STOCK PLANS FILED. The following have filed Form S-8 registration statements with the SEC seeking registration of securities to be offered pursuant to employee stock and related plans:

Collins & Aikman Corporation, New York (File 2-42824) - 8,782 shares
International Rectifier Corporation, Los Angeles, Calif. (File 2-42828) - 100,000 shares

MISCELLANEOUS

TRADING BANS CONTINUED. The SEC has ordered the suspension of over-the-counter trading in the common stock of Coatings Unlimited, Inc., and the securities of Continental Vending Machine Corporation, for the further ten-day period January 16-25, 1972, inclusive.

RECENT FORM 8-K FILINGS. The companies listed below have filed Form 8-K reports for the month indicated and responding to the item of the form specified in parentheses. Photocopies thereof may be purchased from the Commission's Public Reference Section (in ordering, please give month and year of report). Invoice will be included with the requested material when mailed. An index of the captions of the several items of the form was included in the January 7 News Digest.

8K Reports for Nov 1971

Kansas City Life Ins Co Oct & Nov 71 (1)	2-40764-2	Lowe's Companies Inc (7,11) Yondata Corp (3)	0-94-2 2-31438-2
Deltec Int'l Ltd (3)	1-5897-2	CIC Leasing Corp Oct 71 (7,8)	1-6607-2
Lectro Mgt Inc Oct 71 (7)	1-6266-2	Fairmont Foods Co (12)	1-4100-2
Perkin-Elmer Corp (11,12,13)	1-4389-2	Harcourt Brace Jovanovich Inc Oct 71 (3)	1-4464-2
Playboy Enterprises Inc (7,8,12,13)	1-6813-2	Natl Modular Systems Inc (13,14)	2-37644-2
Van Dusen Air Inc (2,14)	0-1752-2	Strawbridge & Clothier (13,14)	0-1308-2
Bearborn-Storm Corp (7)	1-5860-2	Waste Mgt Inc (7,13)	2-39790-2
Koppers Co Inc (8)	1-3224-2	ASI Communications Inc Oct 71 (2,7,13)	0-3229-2
Wells Mgt Corp (13,14)	0-3890-2	Colonial Penn Group Inc (2,7,13)	0-4645-2
Palabora Mining Co Ltd 6K For Dec 71	2-22241-2	Detsco Inc (12,13)	0-4023-2
American Precision Inds Inc (7,8,14)	1-5601-2	Domestic Air Express Inc Oct 71 (1,12)	0-3147-2
Kreisler Mfg Corp (11)	0-4036-2	First Capital Corp (12)	0-3683-2
Potomac Edison Co Dec 71 (7,11,13)	1-3376-2	General Box Co (12,13)	1-3563-2
West Penn Power Co Dec 71 (7)	1-2553-2	Ideal Basic Inds Inc (3,8,13)	1-4070-2
Acme Precision Products Inc Oct 71 (7)	1-6135-2	Slick Corp (3)	1-3942-2
Aero Flow Dynamics Inc (13)	1-690-2	Addressograph Multigraph Corp (11,12,13)	1-683-2
Consolidated Edison Co Of New York (7)	1-1217-2	Dan River Inc (6,13)	1-3912-2
Growth Int'l Inc (2,4,7,14)	0-3134-2	Den-Tal-Ez Inc Oct 71 (12)	1-6536-2
The Newhall Land & Farming Co (2,12)	1-6391-2	Lionel Corp Oct 71 (12,13)	1-3197-2
		Richmond Corp (13)	0-5840-2
		Royal Inds Inc (12,13)	1-5797-2
		Sippican Corp (2)	0-3548-2
		Swift & Co Oct 71 (12,13)	1-5929-2
		Trans Atlas Corp Oct 71 (7,8)	2-38189-2
		Wrather Corp (2,7,13)	1-6172-2
		Oklahoma Natural Gas Co Dec 71 (12)	1-2572-2
		Robert Reis & Co (12)	0-2175-2

SECURITIES ACT REGISTRATIONS. Effective January 12: Agway Inc., 2-42757; General Electric Co., 2-42619; Tab Products Co., 2-38242.
Effective January 13: Anglo-American Investment Trust Ltd., 2-42797; Bobbie Brooks, Inc., 2-42666; Danker & Wohlk, Inc., 2-41637 (90 days); Husky Oil Co. of Del. and Husky Oil Ltd., 2-42058; Justice Mortgage Investors, 2-42354 (90 days); Prime Equities, Inc., 2-41938 (40 days); South Carolina Electric & Gas Co., 2-42554.

NOTE TO DEALERS. The period of time dealers are required to use the prospectus in trading transactions is shown above in parentheses after the name of the issuer.

*As estimated for purposes of computing the registration fee.

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